

## Clean Version of the Claims

1. (Amended) A packaging machine comprising;  
a main frame structure;  
active elements (for example conveyor belts, transposing apparatuses, robots);  
intermediate elements for affixing the active elements to the main frame structure  
including,  
profile members respectively arranged in pairs in parallel mutually  
juxtaposed relationship;  
clamping plates for holding the intermediate elements at a defined  
spacing and having projections which stick up laterally of said profile members;  
and  
a clamping mechanism extending perpendicularly to the longitudinal axis of said  
intermediate elements between the profile member for clamping the clamping plates.
2. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said profile  
members have narrow sides and are flat bar members whose profile stands on edge  
and wherein said clamping plates are applied in overlapping relationship to the narrow  
sides of the two profile members of a pair and have projections which stick up laterally  
of the narrow sides.
3. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said profile  
members may also be in the form of T-shaped, double T-shaped, U-shaped, round or  
quadrangular profile members.
4. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 3 wherein said profile  
member have a hollow interior.
5. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said profile  
members are of a metal material, in particular steel or iron.

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6. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein at least one of said clamping plates has at least one transverse opening at a side in opposite relationship to the side with said projections.

7. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 6 wherein said transverse opening extends in plan perpendicularly to said projections.

8. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said clamping plates are of a metal material, in particular steel or iron.

9. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said clamping mechanism is a clamping screw.

10. (Amended) A packaging machine as set forth in claim 1 wherein said clamping mechanism has a cam lever.

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